

Line 19, change "Said" to --The--
 Line 20, change "said" to --the--
 Line 21, change "said" to --the-- (both occurrences)
 Line 22, change "said" to --the--
 Line 25, change "said" to --the--

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Line 4, change "Said" to --The--
 Line 15, change "said" to --the--
 Line 16, change "said" to --the--
 Line 17, change "said" to --the--
 Line 19, change "said" to --the--
 Line 26, change "comprising" to --including--

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Line 3, change "Said" to --The--
 Line 4, change "said" to --the--
 Line 5, delete "said"
 Line 6, delete "said"
 Line 13, change "Said" to --The--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-20 without prejudice or disclaimer
 to the subject matter recited therein.

Please add the following new claims:

1. A recording device controller comprising:

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means for determining defect detection criteria according to a type of data to be recorded; and

means for issuing a command for setting the determined defect detection criteria in a recording device.

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22. The controller according to claim ¹21, wherein said command is of structure by which the defect detection criteria can be designated independently for a plurality of kinds of criteria items.

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23. A recording device controller comprising:
means for determining defect detection criteria according to a type of data to be recorded; and
means for issuing a single command for instructing that the determined defect detection criteria be set in a recording device and that data recording be carried out.

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24. The controller according to claim ³23, wherein said command is of a structure by which the defect detection criteria can be designated independently for a plurality of kinds of criteria items.

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25. A recording device controller comprising:
means for determining information relating to a type of data to be recorded; and

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